DRAFT AGENDA

Ecology and EPA Meeting on NPDES permits for federal dams on the Lower Columbia River and Lower Snake River

Date: October 18, 2018 **Time:** 2:30-4:30pm

Location: Ecology HQ, Lacey; Phone TBD

Attendees: Melissa Gildersleeve, Vince McGowan, (others from Ecology?), Susan Poulsom (phone), Mary Lou Soscia (phone), Jenny Wu (in person);[Optional from EPA: Courtney Weber (phone), Jennifer Byrne (phone), John Palmer (in person), Martin Merz (in person)]

Goals:

[Ecology, insert goals.]

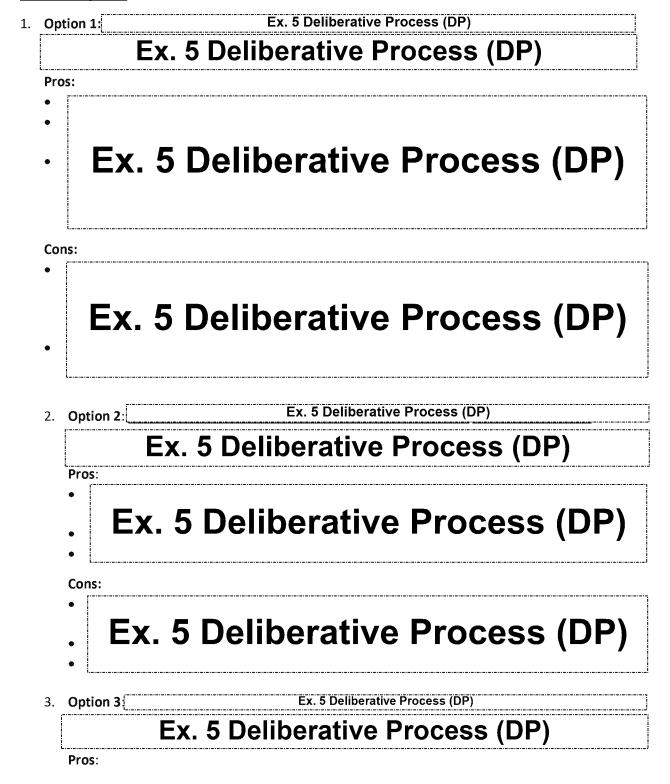
- To have EPA provide information on the permit and the draft 401 certification request
- To discuss how other Columbia River activities may or may not affect the scope of the NPDES permits
- To clearly understand factors affecting draft 401 certification issuance
- To lay out options for moving forward on permits and 401 certification
- To discuss timing and next steps for making a decision to move forward

Agenda Items

- Introductions (All) 5 minutes
- Background Why are we meeting?/Meeting Goals (Ecology/EPA) 10 minutes
- Permit Description (Jenny, EPA) 10 minutes
- Other Activities in Columbia River and Interplay with Permits (Mary Lou, Jenny, Ecology) –
 25 minutes
 - 1. Columbia River Temperature TMDL
 - 2. NOAA BiOp
 - 3. US Army Corps/BOR/BPA EIS
 - 4. Other [Mary Lou, Ecology, insert]
- Draft 401 Certification Considerations 30 minutes
 - 1. Scope
 - 2. Timing
 - 3. Legal considerations
 - 4. Policy considerations
- Potential Options for Moving Forward 25 minutes
- Next Steps 5 minutes

(Internal to EPA – not sharing with Ecology – This is my evaluation and not based on any conversations with Ecology.)

Potential Options



Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Cons:

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Pros:

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